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IN THE SPECIFICATION:

The specification as amended below with replacement paragraphs shows added text with underlining and deleted text with ~~strikethrough~~.

Please REPLACE the paragraph beginning at page 5, line 19, with the following paragraph:

With a view to solving the aforesaid problems, according to one aspect of the present invention, there is provided a terminal equipments (information apparatuses) operating system comprising a means for measuring operating time of each of a plurality of ~~terminal equipments~~information apparatuses, a means for determining rotation candidates among the plurality of ~~terminal equipments~~information apparatuses based on accumulated operating times of the ~~terminal equipments~~information apparatuses with a view to equalizing the accumulated operating times of the respective ~~terminal equipments~~information apparatuses and sending ~~terminal equipments~~information apparatuses rotation messages to the rotation candidates, a means for backup processing data stored in the rotation candidate ~~terminal equipments~~information apparatuses in accordance with the messages, and a means for downloading the data associated with one of the rotation candidate ~~terminal equipments~~information apparatuses on another of the rotation candidate ~~terminal equipments~~information apparatuses after the rotation between the one of the rotation candidate ~~terminal equipments~~information apparatuses and the another of the rotation candidate ~~terminal equipments~~information apparatuses one has been completed.

Please REPLACE the paragraph beginning at page 5, line 2, with the following paragraph:

In addition, according to another aspect of the present invention, there is provided an administrative unit for managing a plurality of ~~terminal equipments~~information apparatuses comprising a means for measuring the operating time of each of the plurality of ~~terminal equipments~~information apparatuses and a means for determining rotation candidates among the plurality of ~~terminal equipments~~information apparatuses based on accumulated operating times of the ~~terminal equipments~~information apparatuses with a view to equalizing the accumulated operating times of the respective ~~terminal equipments~~information apparatuses and notifying the

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rotation candidate ~~terminal equipments~~ information apparatuses to that effect, or a terminal ~~equipment~~ information apparatuses adapted to be connected to an administrative unit comprising a memory for storing data associated with the ~~terminal equipment~~ information apparatuses, a display means for displaying a terminal processing rotation message from the administrative unit, an input means for operating the ~~terminal equipment~~ information apparatuses in accordance with a direction of the message so displayed, and a control means for executing a backup process of the data stored in the memory on the administrative unit by performing a rotation operation in accordance with a direction of the message.

Please REPLACE the paragraph beginning at page 6, line 20, with the following paragraph:

Furthermore, according the other aspect of the present invention, there is provided a computer readable recording medium having recorded therein a program for rendering a computer managing a plurality of ~~terminal equipments~~ information apparatuses execute measuring operating time of each of the plurality of ~~terminal equipments~~ information apparatuses, determining rotation candidate ~~terminal equipments~~ information apparatuses among the plurality of ~~terminal equipments~~ information apparatuses based on accumulated operating times of the ~~terminal equipments~~ information apparatuses with a view to equalizing the accumulated times of the respective ~~terminal equipments~~ information apparatuses and notifying the rotation candidate ~~terminal equipments~~ information apparatuses to that effect, and there is also provided a computer readable recording medium having recorded therein a program for rendering a computer connected to an administrative unit to receive a rotation message from the administrative unit and perform a backup process of data stored in the computer onto the administrative unit through rotating operation in accordance with a direction of the message.

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IN THE TITLE:

Please replace the Title in accordance with the following:

-- SYSTEM FOR OPERATING A PLURALITY OF APPARATUSES BASED ON
ACCUMULATED OPERATING TIMES THEREOF TO EQUILIZE THE
RESPECTIVE OPERATING TIMES OF THE APPARATUSES --